

# ALEXANDRIA GAZETTE AND VIRGINIA ADVERTISER.

## Alexandria Gazette

SATURDAY EVENING, JUNE 17.

A CANVASSER'S DEVICE.—A canvasser for subscriptions to a Western paper had been on a tour all through the county, sticking to every farmer until he got his name and money, and so it happened that he came to a house where death had called a few hours before. The farmer's wife was laid out, and the husband and his children were grieving over her loss when the canvasser knocked at the door.

"What's up?" inquired the canvasser, as he saw the farmer's solemn countenance before him.

"My wife is dead," replied the farmer.

"Is that so?" mused the canvasser, a little disappointed. "Did she die easy?"

"Dropped off like a lamb."

"Did she say anything?"

"Not a word—but went right to sleep like."

"I didn't know," continued the canvasser, a sad look on his face, "but what she might have requested you to subscribe for our paper, which you know is the best in the country. If you want it I'll take your name right in, and under the circumstances I won't charge a cent for the obituary notice!"

The farmer hung off a while, but before the canvasser went away he had two additional dollars in his pocket, and had written an obituary notice for publication in the next issue, which the bereaved husband pronounced "a mighty smart piece."

**THE ALEXANDRIA GAZETTE AND VIRGINIA ADVERTISER** will soon celebrate its centennial year. More than three quarters of a century ago it grew into life a creature of wants and needs of the people of this section of Virginia.

During all this period its prominent object has been to advance the interests of the people of whose life it is the daily chronicle. Its fortunes have been their fortunes; it has shared their prosperity and suffered in their disasters. Its insurance has been the desire to forward the best interests of the community in which it is located, and its own prosperity is, as it has been purposely made, inseparable from that of the communities it aims to represent. When they grow rich it hopes to reward commensurate with its labors. While they are poor it expects to work with them and for them, expecting to make their success the measure of its own.

The past of the Gazette is offered as an index of its future. It has never failed to avail itself promptly of all the great events which come with the greater growth and more extended experience of journalism. Every year NEW FEATURES will be added.

The GAZETTE MEANS TO BE THE NEWSPAPER OF VIRGINIA. It will furnish every complete account, with superfluities only wiped away, of all the current news of the world.

As the interests of the people mainly centre at home, no pains will be spared to chronicle all matters occurring in the city and neighborhood, carefully excluding unseemly expressions or gross narrative as unfit for journal that is treasured at many thousand hearthstones of Virginia.

Equal attention will be devoted to presenting, as well from original sources of information as from its exchanges, the news of Virginia, peculiarly adapted to the development of the resources of the state.

Its constituency to Washington gives the Gazette an early precedence over all the journals of the State in intelligence of the operations of the General Government, now of such vital importance to the people of the South. The proceedings of Congress, seldom so interesting as now, will be regularly reported in succinct form for its columns, but all matters of especial interest in Virginia will be given in detail, and the full text of all bills of local interest will be given.

From the State capital it will receive early and accurate accounts of the proceedings of the General Assembly and of all the operations of the State government likely to interest the people.

In its Commercial columns the especial feature will be promptness and accuracy. The farmers, drovers and commercial people of the State know they MAY DEPEND upon the Gazette.

Early and reliable reports of the Grain, Cattle, Groceries and other Markets will be furnished, and the prices and position of the stocks, which are the subjects of business transactions in this section of the country, carefully quoted.

The constant favors of those who have once used the Gazette as an advertising medium is a warrant for saying that it pays to advertise in its columns. Never before did it pay so well to tell the public what is for sale.

**DAILY.**

One year.....\$8 00  
Six months.....4 00  
Three months.....2 00  
One month.....75

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One year.....\$5 00  
Six months.....2 50  
Three months.....1 25

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PRINCE STREET,

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None but first class Barbers employed.

Established 25 years.

FRUIT TREES ADAPTED TO THIS REGION A SPECIALTY.

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E. S. LEADBEATER & BRO.

NEW ORLEANS and PORTO RICO MO-

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my 5 J. C. & E. MILBURN.

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Another supply just received at

FERGUSON & BRO'S.,

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200 HALF POUND PRINTS FRESH BUTTER received and for sale by

W. M. RAMSAY,

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VICKIN SALAD OIL, very superior, Lec-

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We just received a large supply of Wax for

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got up, with a Calendar for 1876. Cash

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JUST RECEIVED.—The newest style in

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TRY OUR 50c OOLONG TEA, with Green

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NEW GOODS!  
NEW PRICES!

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at prices which cannot fail to please. Goods delivered promptly to all parts of the city, and satisfaction guaranteed in every particular.

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FOUNDER & MACHINISTS.

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Corner of Royal and Wilkes streets.

We are prepared to manufacture Steam Engines, Shifting and all kinds of Machinery; also to furnish Iron and Brass Castings of the best quality and workmanship. Having an unusually large and varied assortment of Patterns, we can furnish Castings at reasonable prices and short notice.

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Where he is prepared to furnish all kinds of

MACHINERY, WROUGHT and CAST IRON FENCES, &c.

Repairing done with dispatch, and at prices

that were charged previous to the war.

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The oldest and best established Plumbing establishment in the city. All work done with dispatch, and in the most durable and workmanlike manner. Satisfaction guaranteed.

JOBBING done at short notice, and by him

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JUNE 10th.

Just for New York.

DRESS GOODS! OMEG UP.

Our very large sales having cleaned out our stock of Drs. & other goods, we have been enabled to take advantage of the lateness of the season and buy at almost our own prices. An examination of the goods will prove to the most skeptical the cheapness of the goods.

H. C. SLAYMAKER CO.

WILLIAM MURRAY,

MERCHANT TAILOR,

NO. 123 KING STREET, ALEXANDRIA,

Has just received his

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PATENT POCKET SPIRIT STOVES, espe-

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THE CHEAPEST COFFEE!

THE CHEAPEST TEAS,

and all other goods at the very lowest prices at the New Family Grocery Store.

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pairing we would call especial attention to our well selected stock of Doors, Sashes, Blinds and Building Materials of all kinds, which we

will sell as cheap as the same can be obtained elsewhere.

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